

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: DEGAND, ETIENNE

Confirmation No. 8558

Application No. 10/516,597

Group 3742

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Examiner: PATEL, VINOD D.

For: HEATABLE GLAZING PANEL

SUMMARY OF TELEPHONE INTERVIEW AND ADDITIONAL REMARKS

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants, by their attorney, wish to make of record a telephone interview kindly initiated by the Examiner on April 17, 2007 and to provide additional remarks.

The Examiner commented on Applicants' prior remarks (filed February 2, 2007 at page 10, ¶ 2) in which it was stated that "...Claim 1 (and thus Claims 21-24 since they depend directly or indirectly from Claim 1) include at least one feature not disclosed in the Hasegawa document, namely, ' at least two electrically heatable zones being delimited by at least one zone boundary which is substantially insulating.' This feature was found in Claim 7."

The Examiner correctly noted that the feature was found in the Hasegawa document at Figure 14 and this was noted on page 5, paragraph 9, of the prior Office Action.

What occurred was that in the drafting process, a portion of the "Remarks" was omitted through clerical error. The entire sentence in the prior Remarks (with previously omitted words underlined) should have read as follows:

"...Claim 1 (and thus Claims 21-24 since they depend directly or indirectly from Claim 1) include at least one feature not disclosed in the Hasegawa document, namely, at least one of the electrically heatable zones the conductive path changes direction at least once along its length within the electrically conductive coating layer so as to double back upon itself, as noted by the Examiner in the Office Action at page 6. Furthermore, Claim 1 now includes at least two electrically heatable zones being delimited by at least one zone boundary which is substantially insulating. This feature was found in Claim 7 and thus is not new matter.

Again, Applicants apologize for the clerical error which occurred while progressing from a draft response to the final form of the response.

Applicants understand that another Office Action may have issued in the interim but wanted to clarify the record.

Respectfully submitted,

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